



OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Media Advisory

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July Transportation Commission Meeting

The Oklahoma Transportation Commission will hold its monthly meeting at 11 a.m. Monday, July 1 in the R.A. Ward Transportation Building, 200 N.E. 21st St. in Oklahoma City. Items to be addressed at the meeting:

- Oklahoma Department of Transportation Director Mike Patterson will brief commissioners on a recent study released by a national transportation advocacy group regarding the nation's bridges and ODOT's progress in addressing the state's structurally deficient highway bridges. He will also provide an update on the department's continued storm recovery efforts following May's tornadoes.
- Director of Operations Casey Shell will recognize ODOT workers representing each field division statewide that assisted with debris removal following May's devastating tornadoes that struck the Carney, El Reno, Moore, Oklahoma City and Shawnee areas.
- The International Association of Business Communicators- Central Oklahoma Chapter will present ODOT with an Award of Excellence for the I-40 Crosstown Grand Opening event in January 2012.
- The commission is expected to vote on awarding a \$9 million contract for construction on the west end of the new I-40 Crosstown to reconnect the interstate to downtown Oklahoma City.
- Commissioners will be asked to consider awarding a \$3 million contract for an interim project to improve traffic movement on SH-74 (Portland Ave.) in northwest Oklahoma City by constructing multiple right-turn lanes at three city streets.
- They are also expected to consider awarding a more than \$24 million contract to construct the east portion of the Durant Bypass on US-70. The contract includes financial incentives for early completion of this project.

The meeting agenda can be viewed at www.okladot.state.ok.us by clicking the Public Meeting link. The commission, an eight-member panel appointed by the governor to oversee the state's transportation development, awards project contracts for road and bridge construction on a monthly basis. The meeting is open to the public. If you have any questions about Monday's meeting, call the ODOT Media and Public Relations office at 405-521-6000. Next month's Oklahoma Transportation Commission meeting is currently scheduled for August 5 at 11 a.m.

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